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SUBJECT: KOREA IN 28TH UNGA: PRESS SPECULATION

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1. THERE HAVE BEEN NO LEAKS BY ROKG HERE. KNOWLEDGE OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHINESE HAS BEEN HELD TO EXTREMELY SMALL NUMBER OF RANKING BLUE HOUSE AND MOFA OFFICIALS.

2. IN PAST WEEK ROK PRESS HAS ENGAGED IN CONTINUING SPECULATION THAT SOME MOVE MIGHT BE MADE ON KOREAN QUESTION BY REVISING FRIENDLY RESOLUTION. THIS POSSIBILITY ALLUDED TO PUBLICLY BY FONMIN KIM ON NOVEMBER 5 (REF B) FOLLOWING US-ROK EARLIER DECISION TO DROP MEMBERSHIP PARA. RECENT ROK NEWS AGENCY STORIES FILED FROM NEW YORK HAVE ALSO MENTIONED QUOTE RUMOR UNQUOTE THAT ALGERIAN RESOLUTION COSPONSORS WERE SEEKING TO MODIFY THEIR RESOLUTION IN ORDER TO OBTAIN MORE VOTES. HOWEVER, THESE PRESS REPORTS DID NOT MENTION OR ALLUDE TO US-PRC NEGOTIATIONS IN CONFIDENTIAL

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NEW YORK.

3. IT IS ALSO TRUE SECRETARY'S VISIT TO PRC HAS TRIGGERED INTENSE PRESS SPECULATION OVER

POSSIBILITY OF US-PRC DISCUSSIONS IN PEKING
ON PROBLEM OF KOREAN PENINSULA. SPECULATIVE
STORIES DISCUSSED US FORCES IN KOREA, ARMISTICE
AGREEMENT, POSSIBILITY OF PEACE TREATY AND UN
QUESTION. IN STORY FILED NOVEMBER 14,
ROK JOURNALIST IN NEW YORK REPORTED THAT SOURCES
IN NEW YORK ASSERTED THAT SECRETARY AND CHINESE
LEADERS IN PEKING QUOTE MIGHT HAVE REACHED SOME KIND OF
UNDERSTANDING WITH REGARD TO THE KOREAN QUESTION
UNQUOTE.

4. PRESS ON MORNING OF NOVEMBER 14 HEADLINED
REPORT THAT OUR SIDE IS SEEKING NEW STRATEGY AT
UN. HOWEVER, STORY WAS AN AP DISPATCH DATELINED
NEW YORK AND CONTAINED COMMENT THAT QUOTE SOME
BELIEVE THAT THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA HAVE
AGREED ON A COURSE OF ACTION THAT MAY AFFECT
THE SCHEDULED DELIBERATIONS ON KOREA IN THE
ASSEMBLY'S MAIN POLITICAL COMMITTEE.
UNQUOTE. MAIN TRUST OF STORY WAS ON POSSIBILITY
OF REVISING FRIENDLY RESOLUTION.
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